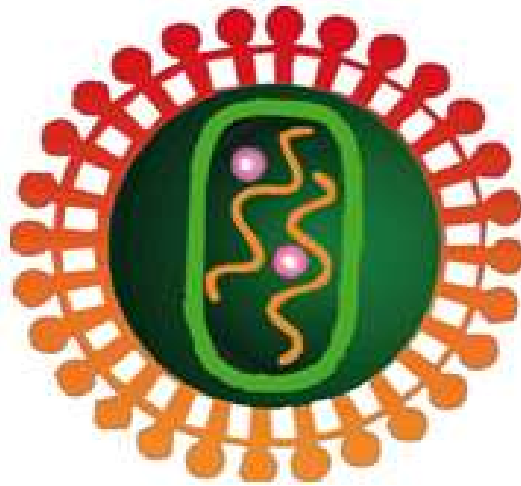


# Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)



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# HIV

- **H**uman Immunodeficiency **V**irus
- **H** = Infects only **H**uman beings
- **I** = **I**mmunodeficiency virus weakens the immune system and increases the risk of infection
- **V** = **V**irus that attacks the body

# AIDS

- **A**cquired **I**mmune **D**eficiency **S**yndrome
- **A** = **A**cquired, not inherited
- **I** = Weakens the **I**mmune system
- **D** = Creates a **D**eficiency of CD4+ cells in the immune system
- **S** = **S**yndrome, or a group of illnesses taking place at the same time

# HIV and AIDS

- When the immune system becomes weakened by HIV, the illness progresses to AIDS